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REMARKS

Claims 1-29 are pending in this application.

Claims 1-29 have been rejected.

Claims 1, 8 and 22 has been amended herein.

Reconsideration and full allowance of Claims 1-29 are respectfully requested.

I. OBJECTION TO THE SPECIFICATION

In Section 3 of the January 18, 2006, Office Action, the Examiner objected to the

specification because of various informalities. In response, the Applicant has amended the

specification to correct the informalities noted by the Examiner. No new matter has been added to

the specification by this amendment. The Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the

objection.

II. RECOMMENDATIONS

In Section 4 of the January 18, 2006, Office Action, the Examiner recommended amending

the preamble of independent Claim 8, and provided recommended language for the amended

preamble. In response, the Applicant has amended the preamble of Claim 8 to track more closely the

preambles of independent Claims 1 and 22. While the language of the amended claim is not

identical to that proposed by the Examiner, the Applicant respectfully suggests that the amendment

complies with the intent of the Examiner's recommendation.

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III. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

In Section 6 of the January 18, 2006, Office Action the Examiner rejected Claims 1-29 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Giorgi et al., "An Educational Environment for Program Behavior Analysis and Cache Memory Design" ("Giorgi"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

A prior art reference anticipates a claimed invention under 35 U.S.C. § 102 only if every element of the claimed invention is identically shown in that single reference, arranged as they are in the claims. (MPEP § 2131; In re Bond, 910 F.2d 831, 832, 15 U.S.P.Q.2d 1566, 1567 (Fed. Cir. 1990)). Anticipation is only shown where each and every limitation of the claimed invention is found in a single prior art reference. (MPEP § 2131; In re Donohue, 766 F.2d 531, 534, 226 U.S.P.Q. 619, 621 (Fed. Cir. 1985)).

The Giorgi reference describes an educational software package (Csim) used as a teaching tool in a computer architecture course. (See Page 1243, left column, 2nd para.). A user of Csim may build a program and execute the program on an instruction set stimulator to produce a trace file of the memory accesses performed by the program during its simulated execution. (See Page 1244, left column, 3rd para.). The trace file then provides input data for analysis tools that allow the user to analyze the performance of the program on one or more specified system architectures. (See Page 1244, left column, 5th para., through right column, 2nd para.).

The Applicant has amended independent Claim 1 to more clearly recite what the Applicant regards as the invention. Amended Claim 1 recites the limitation of a memory access monitor that monitors, during simulated execution of a program, memory accesses by the program to a simulated memory space. This is in distinct contrast to the educational software package of the *Giorgi*

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reference, which creates a trace file during simulated program execution, then analyzes the trace file

after the simulation has completed.

For these reasons, the Office Action does not establish that the Giorgi reference anticipates

the Applicant's invention as recited in amended independent Claim 1 (and its dependent claims).

For similar reasons, the Giorgi reference fails to anticipate the Applicant's invention as recited in

amended independent Claims 8 and 22 (and their dependent claims). Accordingly, the Applicant

respectfully requests withdrawal of the § 102 rejection and full allowance of Claims 1-29.

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SUMMARY

If any issues arise, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at wmunck@davismunck.com.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication (including any extension of time fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

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